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In the application of

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For: BREAST BIOPSY SYSTEM AND

METHODS

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Dear Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the above application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 17, 18, 21, 23, 24, 25, 30, 40, 48 and 49 and add new claims 50-56. A list of the pending claims follows.

PENDING CLAIMS

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17. (Currently Amended) [The] A biopsy instrument as recited in Claim-5, wherein said-instrument further comprises comprising an elongated shaft, a cutting

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